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Brazilian UN delegate Muniz, who is chairman of the UN's political committee, stated to an American colleague that some official UN notice should be taken of the latest Korean developments to avoid creat-

ing the impression that the United States is being dragged into peace against its will. He considered this necessary to "recapture the initiative from the Russians" and suggested that a resolution be offered in the General Assembly noting Chou En-lai's declaration and expressing hope for an armistice.

2. Burma may agree to postpone UN consideration of its complaint:

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A member of the Burmese Cabinet told an American official in Rangoon that a committee of influential government leaders has recommended to Premier

Nu that Burma agree to postpone for four to six months UN consideration of its complaint. The committee also proposed that the government accept in good faith American assurances that it was seeking a solution to the Nationalist problem and suggested that Burma participate in the projected joint investigative group as an "unofficial observer."

Comment: Premier Nu, who has consistently favored a policy of moderation in dealing with the Nationalist problem, may be expected to agree to such proposals. Their adoption by Burma would permit an attempt to evacuate the Nationalists, which, even if only partially successful, would eliminate the need for UN consideration.

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NEAR EAST - AFRICA

5.	Lebanese President favors immediate negotiations on Middle East defense:	
X1A	Lebanese President Chamoun believes that a Middle East defense organization should be set up as soon as possible, and that if Egypt insists on prior settlement of the Suez question, the other Arab states should proceed without Egypt.	
	Chamoun also declared that since Middle East defense is a responsibility of the Arab states, they should elaborate their own defense plans and then request Western assistance. He is convinced, following his visits to Saudi Arabia and Iraq, that these countries and probably Jordan support this position; he anticipates difficulty, however, in obtaining Syria's agreement.	
	Comment: This is the most definite statement by an Arab leader that participation in a Middle East defense organization should not depend on Egypt. Chamoun's statement is significant because Lebanon has traditionally followed other Arab states and is now apparently endeavoring to assume leadership.	
	Chamoun's suggestion that Middle East defense is an Arab responsibility is in line with the increasing sentiment in the area for a regional defense based on the Arab League Security Pact.	
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WESTERN EUROPE

3.	Germany seen ready to make concessions on Saar issue:
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	The US High Commission in Germany
	estimates that Chancellor Adenauer may
	now be willing to accept special French
	economic privileges in the Saar and agree
	to a general settlement granting the Saarlanders self-administration
	under the European Political Community when it is formed. He may
	insist, however, that such a settlement be subject to a Saar plebiscite
	in which the pro-German political parties would participate.
	Comment · French Foreign Minister Bidaul

recently insisted that France's economic union with the Saar must be maintained. He conceded, however, that a final detailed settlement would not be essential for French EDC ratification provided that the principle of a special French economic position were clearly established and accepted by Adenauer.

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